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## VIA ELECTRONIC FILING (PUBLIC VERSION) AND HAND-DELIVERY (CONFIDENTIAL VERSION)

The Honorable Jocelyn G. Boyd Chief Clerk/Executive Director **Public Service Commission of South Carolina** 101 Executive Center Drive, Suite 100 Columbia, SC 29210

RE: Joint Application of Charter Fiberlink SC-CCO, LLC and Time Warner Cable Information Services (South Carolina), LLC for Designation as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers to Receive Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Auction (Auction 904) Support for Voice and Broadband Services and Request for Expedited Consideration.

Dear Ms. Boyd:

Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. § 214(e) and 10 S.C. Code Ann. Regs. 103-690, please find enclosed for filing on behalf of Charter Fiberlink SC-CCO, LLC and Time Warner Cable Information Services (South Carolina), LLC (each individually, a "Charter Entity" and collectively, the "Charter Entities"), a Joint Application for Designation as Eligible Telecommunications Carriers to Receive Rural Digital Opportunity Fund Auction (Auction 904) Support for Voice and Broadband Services and Request for Expedited Consideration ("Joint Application").

Also enclosed for filing is a Motion for Protective Order to protect from public disclosure confidential information submitted as part of this Joint Application consistent with Federal Communication Commission ("FCC") rules, regulations, and orders prohibiting public disclosure of certain auction-related communications by Rural Digital Opportunity Fund ("RDOF")

<sup>\*</sup>ALSO ADMITTED IN TEXAS

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applicants, as well as protections afforded under South Carolina law and the South Carolina Rules of Civil Procedure to trade secret and commercially sensitive information.

Accordingly, the Charter Entities are filing both confidential and public versions of the Joint Application. The confidential information is contained in Exhibit H to the Joint Application and has been redacted from the public version of the Joint Application (marked as "Public Version"). This protects from public disclosure confidential information, while making available for public viewing non-protected information.

The confidential version of the Joint Application has been marked "Confidential Version" and is attached as Attachment A to the enclosed Motion for Protective Order. Contemporaneous with the electronic filing of the Public Version, we are also filing via hand delivery the Motion for Protective Order with the unredacted Confidential Version of the Joint Application attached thereto in a separate, sealed envelope. For the reasons detailed in the motion, the Charter Entities respectfully request that the Public Service Commission of South Carolina ("Commission") strictly protect the unredacted application from direct or indirect disclosure to third parties.

The Charter Entities further respectfully request that, in the event anyone should seek disclosure of the Confidential Version of the Joint Application, the Commission promptly notify the undersigned counsel on behalf of the Charter Entities and provide the Charter Entities with an opportunity to obtain an order from this Commission or a court of competent jurisdiction protecting the unredacted application from disclosure.

If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Respectfully,

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